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Miss Riverside makes first TV appearance

RIVERSIDE, Calif. – The newly crowned Miss Riverside made her first post-win appearance on television Wednesday night on the KZSW nightly news from Temecula.

Memorie Samuel, a 17-year-old senior at Riverside Poly High School, appeared for more than two minutes in a one-on-one interview about the pageant.

"I think of Miss Riverside as a role model to other girls. I like that idea," said Memorie, sporting a tiara and Miss Riverside sash. "It was a life-changing experience."

At the Feb. 24 Miss Riverside event, judges looked at academics, historic knowledge of Riverside and community involvement as criteria for selecting a winner. She competed against 14 other girls in the pageant for the yearlong title. Her duties include being a representative and spokesperson for the city at events throughout the year.

The first runner-up was Sara Wettergreen, 17, from La Sierra High School. Second runner-up was Madison Jennings, 21, a senior from University of California, Riverside.

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